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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 49 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-48-12

The **Outer Kitoi Bay Section** of the **Afognak District** will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 16.**

As Previously Announced:

The following areas are currently scheduled to close at 9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 16:

- The Southeast, Southwest, Northwest, and Northeast Afognak sections of the Afognak District.
- The Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay sections of the Southwest Kodiak District; and:
- The Outer Kukak Bay, Hallo Bay, and Big River sections of the Mainland District.

The following areas will remain **open until further notice**:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Zachar Bay section will remain closed);
- The Northeast Kodiak District;
- The **Duck** and **Izhut Bay sections** of the **Afognak District**; and
- In **Deadman Bay**, of the **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District** north of a latitude of Cape Hepburn (56° 57.5 N. lat); the remainder of the Humpy-Deadman Section will remain closed.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters in **Deadman Bay** are <u>reduced</u> until further notice to those waters within 500 vards of salmon streams #257-502, 257-503 and 257-504.

Closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.